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FOR: OPTICAL FIBER LASER USING RARE EARTH-ADDED FIBER AND WIDE BAND LIGHT SOURCE



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- 1) References AO - AP and AT - AV have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
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- 3) References AW - AY are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
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